

**MINUTES**  
**WILLIAMSTOWN BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2012**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**Present:** David A. Rempell, Chairman, Thomas E. Sheldon, Jane B. Allen, Tom Costley, Ronald Turbin

**Others Present:** Kris Kirby, Anne Skinner, Tim Kaiser, Ed Rondeau, Peter Fohlin, Kathy Poirot

- 1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT:** Mr. Rempell asked that residents step forward and help by volunteering to serve on a town board. There are currently vacancies on the Sign Commission and the Zoning Board of Appeals.
- 2. SELECTMEN'S MINUTES:** September 24, 2012 – Mr. Sheldon moved to approve the September 24, 2012 minutes. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried 3-0-2. Mr. Costley and Mr. Turbin abstained.
- 3. ITEMS FOR SELECTMEN'S CONSIDERATION:**
  - A.** Selectmen Appointment – Municipal Scholarship Committee (3-year term)  
Kris Kirby – Ms. Allen moved to appoint Kris Kirby to a three-year term, expiring June 30, 2015, on the Municipal Scholarship Committee. Mr. Turbin seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0. Mr. Kirby was sworn in by Assistant Town Clerk Poirot.
  - B.** State Election Warrant – Mr. Turbin moved to sign the State Election Warrant. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.
  - C.** Community Preservation Committee – Parks Commissioners Designee – Mr. Rempell moved to appoint Jane Allen as the Parks Commissioner's Designee to the Community Preservation Committee. Mr. Sheldon seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.
  - D.** Water and Sewer Warrant - \$252,194.06 – Ms. Allen moved to approve the water and sewer warrant in the amount of \$252,194.06. Mr. Sheldon seconded and the motion carried unanimously.
  - E.** Accept Resignation of Associate Member Arthur Lafave from the Zoning Board of Appeals – Ms. Allen moved to accept Arthur Lafave's resignation with thanks. Mr. Rempell said he will be greatly missed. Mr. Turbin seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.
  - F.** End Polio Now Week Proclamation – Williamstown Rotary Club President Ann Skinner read the Proclamation aloud and asked that the chairman sign five copies. Ms. Allen moved that the chairman sign the proclamations. Mr. Sheldon seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.



- G.** Well #1 Update – Mr. Fohlin, Mr. Kaiser and Mr. Rondeau reported on the completion of the replacement of Well 1, a \$1.12 million project. The completion of the project enables the town to use all three wells. Mr. Kaiser said there were some bumps in the road during the project that included a leak that required four tractor-trailer loads of cement to be poured, adding \$150,000 to the budget. Despite the added costs, he found savings by acquiring a government surplus refurbished generator for \$900 at a cost savings of \$120,000 from the project's power budget. Other savings were realized by scaling back the contractor's laborers and using town employees. Mr. Fohlin said the surrounding mountains feed Williamstown's aquifers and we may have the best drinking water in the state as he poured each selectman a glass of water taken from well #1.
- H.** Set Public Hearing Date and Time for a Request from Richard Ruether Post 152 American Legion Club, 117 Latham Street, For a Change in the Board of Directors and Alteration of Premises. Mr. Costley moved to set the public hearing for the purpose of considering a request from Richard Ruether Post 152 American Legion Club, 117 Latham Street, for a Change in the Board of Directors and Alteration of Premises at 7:05 pm. on October 22, 2012. Ms. Allen seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.
- 4. LICENSES AND PERMITS:**
- A.** President & Trustees of Williams College, Robert Volpi, Manager requests approval of a One-Day Wine & Malt Beverage License on Saturday, October 13, 2012 from 10 pm 2 am at the Paresky Student Center for First Chance Dance. Ms. Allen moved to approve the One-Day Wine & Malt Beverage License for Saturday, October 13, 2012, from 10 pm to 2 am at the Paresky Student Center for First Chance Dance. Mr. Turbin seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.
- 5. TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT:** See attached or at [www.williamstown.net](http://www.williamstown.net)
- 6. PETITIONERS' REQUESTS:** None
- 7. OTHER BUSINESS:** Mr. Turbin reminded the Board that a Berkshire County Selectmen's Association Dinner Meeting will be held October 25, 2012 at 7 p.m. in Lee.
- 8. ADJOURN:** Mr. Costley moved to adjourn at 7:54 p.m. The next Selectmen's meeting is Monday, October 22, 2012 – 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Turbin, Secretary